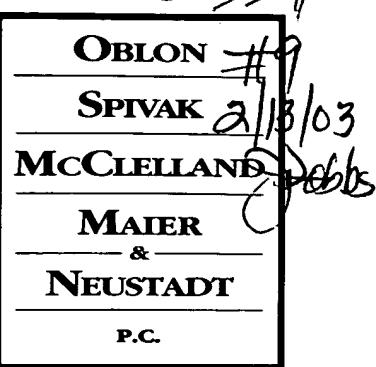




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SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**RESPONSE  
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (3 MONTHS)**

Our check in the amount of **\$930.00** is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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It is hereby requested that a **three** month extension of time be granted to **February 27, 2003** for

filing a response to the Official Action dated: August 27, 2002

responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:

filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due has been timely filed.

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filing a Notice of Appeal. A timely response to the final rejection, due has been filed.

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown below is reduced by one-half.

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